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DTSC Reaches Settlement With Alhambra Environmental Services

Berkeley - - The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) today announced a settlement with Alhambra Environmental Services, Inc. (AES), and with the company's owner James Garland, for hazardous waste violations at the AES facility at 5161 Sobrante Avenue in El Sobrante.

Under terms of a Consent Order (Order) signed on April 30, 2004 AES and Mr. Garland must pay a total penalty to DTSC of \$1,000. A copy of the Order is available on the DTSC website at www.dtsc.ca.gov.

The settlement stems from violations noted on July 29, 2003 and September 29, 2003 when AES transported hazardous waste without valid transporter registration issued by DTSC.

The Order stipulates that AES cannot accept any hazardous waste for transport without a having a valid transporter registration from DTSC, and must show proof of registration.

Since the Order was issued, AES obtained a valid transporter registration from DTSC to haul hazardous waste.

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The Department of Toxic Substances Control's mission is to restore, protect, and enhance the environment and ensure public health, environmental quality and economic vitality by regulating hazardous waste, conducting and overseeing cleanups, and developing and promoting pollution prevention.